

Proposed Bill No. 5613

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by: REP. ORANGE, 48th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN HEALTH CARE SETTINGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That title 19a of the general statutes be amended to provide that all
- 2 licensed dialysis facilities, outpatient surgical facilities, residential care
- 3 homes and assisted living services agencies have at least one automatic
- 4 external defibrillator or a functionally equivalent device on its
- 5 premises, or in the case of an assisted living services agency, readily
- 6 available to agency personnel. Such defibrillator or device shall be
- 7 generally accessible in an emergency by any person trained in its use.
- 8 Such entities shall minimally employ at least one person trained in
- 9 cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of an automatic external
- 10 defibrillator.

Statement of Purpose:

To require the presence of automated external defibrillators or functionally equivalent devices in those areas where episodes of cardiac arrest are most likely to occur.